

Particularly, Applicants could find no evidence or disclosure otherwise that establishes a device-specific component linked with functional units, where the device-specific component installing device-specific functionalities for the field devices. At best, *Glanzer* only appears to disclose the transfer of data between field devices and a scheduler over a communication bus.

Applicants add that the Examiner has failed to map each feature of Applicants' claims to the applied reference. Failing to do so does not provide Applicants' with a clear understanding of how the Examiner is interpreting the claims and/or reference, which subsequently does not give Applicants' a reasonable opportunity to respond to the rejection.

For at least this reason a *prima facie* case of anticipation has not been established, and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Based on the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-32 are allowable and this application is in condition for allowance. In the event any issues adverse to allowance of this application remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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